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Dear Sir:

Extension of Time

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for Three (3) months from the original due date of 07-09-2007, to extend the time for reply to 10-09-2007. The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) of \$1,020.00 is submitted herewith in an express request to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 (Docket LFS5016USNP/MM. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0750.

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of April 9, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.